

ABSTRACT OF THE DISCLOSURE

The invention is objected to realize searching and selecting information more comfortably even if a desired user profile does not exist in an apparatus, and a receiving apparatus of the present invention includes profile processing means for updating contents of an internal user profile based on a manipulating history, external interface means for inputting an external user profile from outside of the apparatus, selection means for selectively outputting the internal user profile processed by the profile processing means and the external user profile input from the external interface means, and searching means for searching a program among the television broadcasting signals based on the internal user profile or the external user profile, output from the selection means.